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June 2, 2009

Mr. Paul Rumelhart Kootenai Business Park Industrial District P.O. Box 1071 Libby, Montana 59923

Re: Libby Asbestos Superfund Site

Operable Unit 5, Stimson Lumber Property Stinger Welding – Proposed Development Site

## Dear Paul:

We are pleased to inform you that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has completed a cleanup at the above-referenced property. Following cleanup, Libby Amphibole (LA) asbestos was not detected in any of the clearance samples taken across the property. EPA's work at this property has removed any known potential source of exposure to LA asbestos. Please see the enclosed figure and table for additional detail on post removal site conditions and clearance sampling.

Please note that our investigation and cleanup was limited to LA asbestos related to the former Libby vermiculite mine. Please also note that low amounts of visible vermiculite were identified in areas C1 and C2. Excavations were completed to 18 inches below ground surface in these areas and were then backfilled with structural fill.

In the unlikely event that LA asbestos-containing soil or visible vermiculite is encountered during future development activities, please contact the EPA for assistance. Contact either the EPA Information Center at 501 Mineral Ave. in Libby at (406) 293-6194 or the Environmental Resource Specialist (ERS) at (406) 291-5335.

At this time, EPA considers the specific response actions taken at this property complete and does not anticipate that additional cleanup measures will be necessary. EPA appreciates your assistance with our work. If you need any further information, please contact me at (303) 312-6552 or Mike Cirian at (406) 293-6194.

Sincerely,

Rebecca J. Thomas, Project Manager

Enclosures

cc: Mike Cirian, EPA Libby